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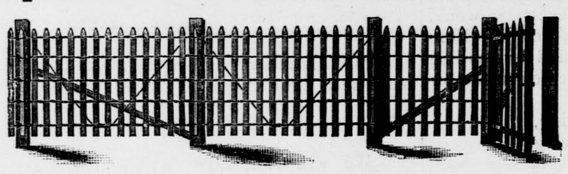

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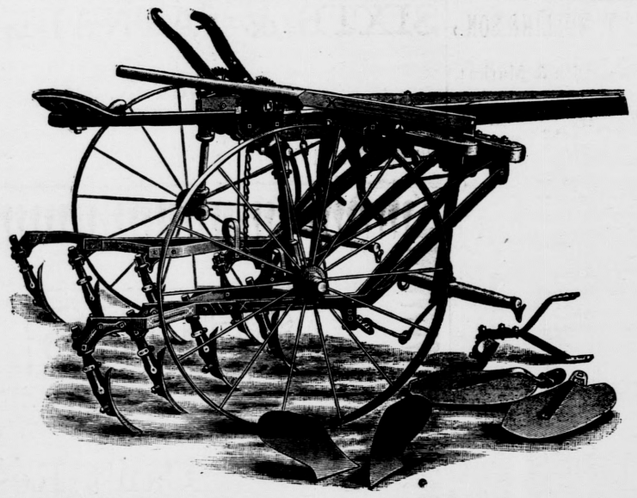

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The Delaware Papers on the Senatorial Situation and Legislation.

"ADDICKS OR NOBODY."

THE cry of "Addicks or nobody" has been heard ever since the beginning of an effort by the present Delaware Legislature to select a United States Senator. It was a claim advanced by Mr. Addicks and five members of the legislature favorable to his election. It has all along been considered a bluff on their part, and a threat to the Republican party that Mr. Addicks must rule or ruin. But it has not been considered until this week as meaning just what it stated. Now, however, all parties have reached the conclusion that five members, known as Addicks men, will see the Legislature adjourn without the election of a senator sooner than cast their votes for any other man than the gas magnate.

With the session to end in two weeks, many members who have fought stubbornly for their favorites now realize more fully than heretofore the necessity for action in the selection of a Senator, and are more disposed to agree on some one for the position. This is evident by the fact that some who have been adherents of Mr. Higgins have changed their votes to Mr. Massey, while some of the latter's supporters have gone to Mr. Pennewill. Of the original Addicks men, only one, Mr. Morgan, has broken away. The other five not only remain for Addicks, but announce that they will never vote for any one else, even though by their action the election should go by default.

If all the other Republican members should agree on a man, the Addicks, five are in a position to prevent an election. Such an arrangement puts these five members and Mr. Addicks without the pale of the party with which they have been identified, and which elected these members. But, for that matter, they put themselves outside the Republican party when, according to party rule, and in defiance of the customs of all parties, they refused to caucus with their fellows, or to abide by the will of the majority.

The arrogance and conceit, as well as desperation, of Mr. Addicks is shown in the report, which we print elsewhere, of an interview with him by a reporter of the *Sunday Star*. In this he pointedly assumes to be the leader of the Republican party in Delaware, that he must dictate its policy and action, or else he will destroy it. Such language and such animus is repulsive to every one who has the instinct of honor and fair play; and such expressions have caused him to lose following until now there is scarcely a man who has a sense of decency, State or party pride, who gives his cause support. Those who at first honestly believed he should be elected Senator have seen so much of the man and his methods, so much of his rule or ruin policy, that they now repudiate him and hang their heads in shame at the recollection that they were his partisans. He has done enough for them to disavow him, but realizing his possibilities for evil by what he has already evidenced, they see that his election would not only mean political damnation, but a moral turpitude much more serious.

Mr. Addicks says, in almost so many words, that he has the Republican party by the throat, and that it lives or dies, at his pleasure. We repudiate the assumption that Addicksism and Republicanism are synonymous, but if such were the case, it would prove infinitely better that the Republican party in Delaware should die, than survive at the dictatian of a boss who apparently has no other idea in politics than that money alone should purchase office, honor and virtue.

The vilest insult ever placed upon Kent and Sussex counties is Mr. Addick' calm assumption that he can influence the political destiny of these counties one way or the other, just as he pleases. We admit that the influence of his means has been potent in the past, but now that his character is more fully known, he can be nothing more than a negative factor in the future. The reproach of his contamination will live after many of his servants are dead, and he will be remembered for the part he has played in Delaware politics longer than otherwise would have been the case had he been an abler and better man. His career, however, may prove this advantage, that it may in the future be used to point nearly as many political morals as the treachery of Benedict Arnold has done.

"The toad, though ugly and venomous,
Wears yet a precious jewel in its head."

—From Milford *News and Advertiser*.

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We are so much worried over the course pursued by some of our Republican members that we fear to write much about it lest we might indulge in language that might cause offense. If the Addicks forces in obedience to the well-established custom of the party had of gone into caucus on the evening of the 15th of January and abided by the result a United States Senator would have been elected on the 17th, and this disagreeable deadlock would never have been. As matters now stand the adherents of the other candidates seem to be as fixed and stubborn in their ways as the Addicks men and there seems no prospect of a compromise or an election of a United States Senator. Those gentlemen seem more wedded to their favorite candidate than they are to their party.

It looks as though they would rather wreck their party than to abandon their favorite candidate. We were hopeful they would elect a Senator before adjournment on the 9th of May, but our hope is growing very weak.—From *Sussex Republican*, Georgetown.

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STICK.

Mr. Addicks' success in business life is largely due to the fact that he is possessed of good staying qualities. He sticks. He don't know when he is whipped. And he seems to have inspired his adherents with the same indomitable pluck; and that quality is bound to win. The prospect to-day for his winning the Senatorial victory is brighter than it has been for some time. We see it, and hosts of others are getting to see it, who some time ago looked upon it with considerable degree of doubt. Hold on boys, victory is in sight.—From the State *Sentinel*—Mr Addicks' organ.

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ADDICKS OR NOBODY.

A reporter of the *Sunday Star* one week ago interviewed J. Edward Addicks, with the following result:

"Is it" asked the reporter, "still Addicks or nobody?"

Addicks looked up from the newspaper in his hand and smiling, replied that it was still Addicks or nobody, "with the chances," he added, "very largely in favor of Addicks."

"You apprehend no such contingency as the election of another man to the Senatorship."

"Emphatically not," responded Mr. Addicks. "The situation is simply this: My friends in the Legislature are determined that such an event shall not take place, and will force a vacancy in the Senatorship to prevent it. They realize what has been rather ignored or misunderstood, that the Republican party of Delaware depends absolutely upon the consistency and continuity of their action in this direction. They know that their constituents expected it when they voted for them, and expect it still, and they say that the election of another man would mean the obliteration of the party in Kent and Sussex. A vacancy would enable us to make the contest again with a clearer knowledge of certain political elements and forces than we possessed before, which elements have been the stumbling block in this fight. This determination is serious and final. That is what it means by "Addicks or Nobody."

"Suppose, however," persisted the reporter, "such an event were to happen, what would your action be?"

"I apprehend no such action, but should it take place, the successful man would take my place in Kent and Sussex, and upon him would fall the duty and charge of maintaining the organization there—for I would completely withdraw."

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PURITY OF THE BALLOT.

The Senate bill "to provide for the secrecy and purity of the ballot" cannot be too highly praised. We think that measure contains the missing link in the chain, by which the intention of the former statutes on the question of secret ballot can be inforced. The clause in the present law on our statute books, which provides for two "voters assistants" has been the cause of the failure of our so called "secret ballot." Just as long as two men are allowed to see how a voter marks his ticket we shall never have a secret ballot. The "voters assistants" at the last election served only the purpose of spies to inform the challengers at the door how the voter cast his ballot, in other words they were simply informers to the heelers outside, to direct whether or not the voter had cast a Democratic or a Republican ticket and receive the pay for his franchise from the party to whom he had sold his vote.

We talk about prison reform, whiskey reform and negro school reform, but the crying evil which is most threatening to sap the vitals of our State, is the evil of vote selling and vote buying at our elections. The evil is growing and taking on new features like a hydra. A few years ago five dollars was a big price for a vote, and only the old and decrepid bartered away their sacred rights. Now the heads of families with all their sons of the statutory age, are selling their votes openly and without a blush of shame. If the evil is allowed to continue, such persons as we last spoke of will begin to look upon the business as legitimate, and in fact they are already doing so.

Every good thinking person in the State wants the bill now before the Senate to become a law. We want corruption at our elections stopped at any cost. It is an evil that we cannot pass by and tell the moralists to stop. It won't be downed till laws are enacted which go to the source of the evil. We think the bill now in the Senate will meet the evil and suppress it. This Legislature cannot afford to ignore the bill. It ought to be passed without a dissenting vote.—*Sussex Journal*, Georgetown.

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BALLOT REFORM.

If the General Assembly are in real earnest about ballot reform let them first of all repeal the obnoxious delinquent tax laws that apply to Sussex and Kent counties, and then let them take action to make it so that poll tax payers can pay their tax when they go to get registered. The point is, make it easy for every one to pay his tax and get registered instead of throwing all the possible difficulties in the way as it is now.

Ballot reform legislation as far as it applies to vote buying is not so much needed as to enforce what we have now. With the law in the hands of the Democratic party, it would be next thing to impossible to convict a prominent Democrat for buying votes and the Republicans alone if guilty would be the sufferers.

The Democratic party are responsible for all this vote buying business. They have practised it for many years and it has grown on their hands until last fall the Republicans not only defeated but bankrupted them. They are now taken with a virtuos spell and are clamoring for reform. Let the Democratic Senate pass the House bill now before them, repealing the delinquent tax law and then let them quit buying votes and enforce what law we have, and then we will have all the ballot reform we need.—From Georgetown *Sussex Republican*.

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KIND WORDS NOT APPRECIATED.

"The Republican papers are very profound in their address to Governor Watson. They did not put him where he is and they will also find out in time that he well knows his business."—*Index*.

Our Dover contemporary, like *Every Evening*, cannot conceal its chagrin, jealously and distrust because the Republican papers have spoken handsomely of Mr. Watson, both when he became Speaker of the Senate and also when he became Governor.

We believe that the Republican press of the State has uttered no word concerning Mr. Watson in the spirit of flattery, or with the expectation of any favor. They honestly approve of his course in a general way, and believing that he represents the best element of his party, have frankly and unselfishly accorded him the honor to which his course has entitled him, and for what it promises. So long as the new Governor maintains his record for fairness and good government the Republican press will accord him all proper credit and respect. But, if he should go astray as Democratic governors in Delaware have done, then the Republican papers of Delaware will light on him as a cat upon a rat.—From *News and Advertiser*, Milford.

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The good opinion and kindly feeling for Governor Watson, expressed by Republican newspapers, seem to give as much to the *Index* as if we had trodden on its favorite corn. The *Index* is super-sensitive. What's the matter with it, anyhow? It is suggested that it is haunted with that terrible nightmare, "no reappointments."—From the *State Sentinel*, Dover.

A Maryland Girl Who Runs a Farm.

That some eastern women are as enterprising as their wide-awake, progressive western sisters is shown in the following from the Baltimore *Sun*:

Miss Nannie Robinson, aged about twenty years, since the death of her father, George Robinson, last fall, has been running their farm, on Black Oak Ridge, six miles north of Hancock, and a saw-mill besides. She is assisted only by her brother Charles, aged about fifteen years. About nine months ago her father and mother and sister Letitia, a school teacher, about eighteen years of age, were all stricken with typhoid fever. The father and daughter died within a few days of each other. The mother is still lingering and is in the constant care of Allie, the oldest daughter.

A water-power saw-mill on the farm has been kept going since the father's death. With the assistance of the young lad Miss Robinson cut down trees and hauled the logs to the saw-mill, where they were converted into timber. Four months were consumed in logging, and Miss Robinson cut down most of the trees herself. She put the logs on the mill and personally superintended the sawing. Most of the framework of the large warehouse of E. P. Cohill, now in course of erection at Hancock, was sawed by her. Lumber from her mill has been purchased by dealers in Hancock. Miss Robinson is a stout young woman and a very energetic worker. She is a splendid horse-woman. Besides doing all this she attends to the farm work.

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THE MAY MAGAZINES.

The *Ladies Home Journal* is a beautiful spring time magazine, with a cover to match its other charms. Among the many pleasing features is a sketch of "The Angel of Crimea" portraying Florence Nightingale as she approaches her 75th birthday. Elizabeth Stuart Phelps writes beautifully of her father as "The man who most influenced me." Josiah Allen's wife finishes her characteristic story "The earthquake of 1883, and Dr. Parkhurst discuses Women's Colleges. Newest designs in dresses and commencement outfits are among the timely subjects under discussion, besides many other new attractions in this always attractive journal.

A paper on "Tammany" in the May number of *McClure's Magazine* describes the high-handed rule of Marshal Rynders and Bowery "Plug-uglies" in New York City fifty years ago, is fully illustrated. A paper on "Journalism" by Charles A. Dana, Editor of the New York Sun, with a fine portrait of of the author, is also a feature of this number.

A very tempting table of contents is found in this month's *Demorest's*. Its every page has some new attraction, and the illustrations are as numerous as they are fine. "The Benefits of Bicycling" are very apparent as given in an interesting article on this subject. "A Day at Pompeii", is a handsomely illustrated sketch, and the "News boys of New York" gives much interesting information about those city waifs. Floriculture, Home Arts and Fashion all have their place, and the stories are very interesting.

St. Nicholas gives its youthful readers a diversity of entertainment. It opens with a quaint story of Holland life, full of the Dutch flavor. "Teddy and the Carrots," is a new serial just begun, while the "Three Freshmen" a pleasing story begun in the January number, has a happy ending, this month. A sketch of "Daniel Boone, founder of Kentucky" is an interesting article, and the poems, verses and jingles, breathe the freshness of the spring-time.

The *Century* opens brightly with a pleasing novelette, "The Princess Sonia," by the popular writer, Miss Julia McGruder, "Lucinda," a story of southern Alleghany mountains, is another novelette, complete in this number. It is by Dr. Wier Mitchell's son, and gives sketches of the life of the rougher classes. Mrs. Burton Harrison's "Errant Wooing" is brought to a finish, while "Casa Braccia" by Marion Crawford loses none of its dramatic interest as it continues. "The close of Lincoln's Career" is a notable article by Noah Brooks, and the timely topics are full of interest for all.

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Washington .....Letter

WITH all due respect to the positions held by Mr. Cleveland and Mr. Gresham — positions which have been honored by, and which have honored a long line of patriots from George Washington to Benjamin Harrison, and from Thomas Jefferson to James G. Blaine—there is only one word that fittingly characterizes the policy of this Administration in dealing with the dispute between Great Britain and Nicaragua, which has now reached the point at which Great Britain has given the world a practical demonstration of its belief that "might makes right," by the occupancy of the principal port of entry of Nicaragua by an armed force, and that word is double-dealing. Herbert Spencer said: "The affairs of the universe are not carried on after a system of benign double-dealing," but Spencer wrote before Mr. Cleveland was President or Mr. Gresham Secretary of State.

It is as certain as anything not officially promulgated can be, that the Administration has had an understanding with Great Britain, which included the acceptance by this government of the British construction of the meaning, or rather lack of meaning of the Monroe doctrine, which friends of the Administration have been saying for weeks past was to be applied to Great Britain's treatment of Nicaragua, pointing out the fact that there was a strong fleet of United States vessels in South Atlantic waters for the express purpose of compelling Great Britain to respect that doctrine. Now the fact has leaked out that the Administration probably fearing that the patriotism of Admiral Meade would be stronger than his orders, took good pains to have that fleet away from Nicaraguan waters when British sailors performed the brave feat of occupying the territory of a helpless and defenceless country, which had made the mistake of expecting that tne United States would see that it was fairly treated.

The Nicaraguan minister to the United States is so placed that he cannot express his opinion, but it is an open secret that he was led to believe up to the last minute that this country would prevent Great Britain carrying out its threat of occupying Corinto, and that he in turn had caused his government to indulge in the same belief. Had it not been for that belief there never would have been any controversy. Nicaragua would have agreed to the demands of Great Britain as soon as they were made, knowing that without the protection of the United States she would sooner or later have to do so. Owing to the impenetrable mystery which surrounds everything done by the Department of State it cannot be positively stated just what the nature of the agreement with Great Britian is, but enough is known to cause every patriotic American to wish that the whole discreditable affair could be blotted out the History of the United States.

There is a rumor in circulation that a movement is on foot to make Secretary Gresham president of the pullman Car Co., in place of Mr. George Pullman, at the annual meeting of the directors of that company, to be held next July. It is certainly to be hoped that the movement will succeed. It would prevent Mr. Gresham sinking any lower in the estimation of the people, who have tried so hard to think well of him, and would give him an annual salary of $25,000, which would keep him out of public life.

From advices received in Washington from Kentucky, it is regarded as probable that if the fight now raging in that State between the gold and silver wings of the democratic party is kept up until election, the State will go Republican. The Republican party has steadily gained in the State for sometime past, and with its present organization, and good leadership, it is believed that it will be able to easily thrash the divided Democracy.

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The reception given that single gold standard interview of Secretary Morton's, which was published as a feeler of the public pulse, has frightened Mr. Cleveland and caused him to go a little slower in making his campaign for the single gold standard The official announcement that Secretary Carlisle had accepted the invitation to deliver the principal address at the "Sound Money Convention", which is to be held May 23, at Memphis, Tenn., was accompanied by a statemement that the Secretary would in that speech endeavor to point out the danger to which the country would be exposed should it attempt to establish the free and unlimited coinage of silver independently of other nations. The question is, will he dare to follow Secretary Morton and openly declare a single gold standard to be the only sound money or will he follow the phraseology of Mr. Cleveland's Chicago letter and talk meaningless platitdues about "sound currency" and "honest money"?

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THE Democratic Legislature of Tennessee has counted out Evans, the Republican candidate for Governor, elected last November by over thousand majority, yet strange to say the Democratic papers of Delaware have not heard of the fact.

OF all the ridiculous measures introduced in the General Assembly this session Mr. Mustard took the premium on Wednesday when he introduced a bill to provide that in cases for divorce where the charge is adultery and is not proven, that the court may return a decree to the respondent.

IT may be interesting to the Every Evening to know that of the twelve subscriptions which came to the TRANSCRIPT last week, one of them was from a gentleman who was "born and reared a Democrat" but whose education and liberal mind leads him to think for himself, a leading citizen of Middletown, who subscribed "because of the decent way the TRANSCRIPT handled the Every Evening the week previous." We appreciate that dollar.

WE have not the space to devote this week to the man who is ashamed of his name or his deeds, or both, as evidenced by an anonymous communication in the *Every Evening* of Wednesday. But one point in the letter is pertinent at the present time. It is: "It was setled who was to be made United States Senator before any formal caucus was had. (Reference being to six years ago.) Mr. Downham well knows how, when, where and by whom it was done."

A more gratuitous falsehood was never uttered. Neither Mr. Downham, this anonymous back biter, nor any other man, can bring a particle of proof of such a charge. Nor can either the "how, or when, or where or by whom" be told. How desperate are the enemies of the loyal Republicans of Delaware! No man ever went into the United States Senate more free and untrammelled than did Mr. Higgins, and every act of the caucus six years ago proves it.

FINALLY AND THE LAST.

"Aint it a mess?" was the disgusted exclamation of an old Sussex acquaintance on occasions when affairs did not go to suit him. We think every Republican endorses the spirit, if not the words, of the old man, when the senatorial situation is thought of. The situation is wearying to the mind, and people generally are disgusted, and all because of the selfishness of politicians. As a Republican we are sick at the thought that of the splendid victory gained last fall, not by boodle but by the people despite the use of boodle by Mr. Handy and his friends on the one side and by his political opponents, our friends, on the other, all is gone save the election of Mr. Willis, gone or going by the failure to elect a Senator. In view of the experience of the past three months it appears to be a hopeless case, yet on Tuesday and Wednesday next the tried and true Republicans of this State should go to Dover en mass and demand of their representatives that they elect a senator.

If an election does not occur before Thursday, and the first ballot on that day does not elect there will be no election. We have enough faith in the ability of our friends, the enemy, to fillibuster, and of the sufficiency of their nerve to do it, to prevent the election of a United States Senator, to predict that it will be done on Thursday if the Republican members are foolish enough to give them the opportunity. Already strange opinions as to parliamentary rulings are being discussed which mean just this if they mean anything.

It is reported that Mr. Massey has gone west for a week, just at the time when he could be the most use as a pacific adviser if he desires the success of the Republican Party rather than to elevate self at the expense of party.

"My men will die with me" is said to be the final judgment of Mr. Addicks, and if they stick to the text of "Addicks or nobody," as they have for the past three months, it will be a death without a political resurrection. It may drag down the whole Republican party but the banks do not contain money enough to revive it. Honor, integrity, principle, are held by some people far above success and filthy lucre. Mr. Addicks' intentions to buy the State in November, 1896 will never be realized.

The most astonishing part of the present attitude of Mr. Addicks is his bluff as given out in Wednesday's *Every Evening* that he will open up his check books to the public gaze, and that at least one member of the General Assembly, who has not voted for him he states, will appear thereon as the recipient of a hundred and fifty dollars. It may be a bluff, or it may be true that the money was taken and spent for party purposes, but the friends of Mr. Addicks, if not himself, can see that such a charge at once raises the suggestion that his adherents stand by him for similar reasons and though they may be as patriotic as a Washington and as honest as a Lincoln, the methods of their candidate at once question their party loyalty. The Democratic papers in the State have refrained from such attacks, because they wish to encourage the Addicks men to hold out and prevent an election, but after May 9th no charge will be too mean, no accusation will be too false, to bring against the men who have stood the closest to Mr. Addicks, as they would then believe that Mr. Addicks means to enter the contest for 1896 and their policy will be to discredit and denounce Mr. Addicks and his friends. We sincerly hope the occasion may not come to prove our prophecy true, but should it come, time will tell.

Just before going to press we learn that Mr. Addicks denies the correctness of the Every Evening report and very sensibly repudiates the charge therein contained against a member of the General Assembly.

"CORRUPTION IN THE SENATE."

"The audience in the lobby of the Senate last Thursday afternoon were treated to a spectacle as criminally realistic as was ever presented in any prisoner's box of any jail court in this State. This was the occasion when the Republican party through three of its Senators, pleaded guilty of an intention to continue fraud, bribery and corruption at our elections."—*Index*, May 2d.

The above is the caption and first paragraph of an editorial from the *Index* of this week. That the *Index* has become suddenly virtuous and honestly desires fair elections no one acquainted with the course of that paper in the past for a moment, believes. What does it seek then in its advocacy of the passage of this bill? We will tell, and tell you truly and without prejudice, if you will read this brief article.

What were the motives that actuated Senators Hanby, Moore and Pierce in voting against the bill "to provide for the secrecy and purity of the ballot" we do not know, but the impression the *Index* would give, "corruption in the Senate," is a gratuitous insult. Since in many matters the TRANSCRIPT has differed with the three gentlemen named during the session of the General Assembly, it is a pleasure to justify their votes on this bill. In the first place, the mere name, "secrecy and purity of the ballot," is no proof that the bill is what it purports to be, or that it would accomplish what is claimed of it, if it is offered in all sincerity. We do not mean to question the patriotism of Mr. Pyle in offering this bill, but when a party that has practised and defended questionable political methods for years, becomes suddenly converted, we look around for the reason.

The people of New Castle county do not comprehend the extent to which bribery has been carried in Kent and Sussex counties. For Democratic testimony corroborative of what we say, we refer to an editorial from the *Sussex Journal* of last week to be found on our first page. That paper is edited by two young men of character and ability, nor do we believe that partisan bias blinds and binds them as we fear it does too many editors. The *Journal* says "the heads of families and their sons are selling their votes openly and without a sense of shame." This condition of affairs has not suddenly arisen; it is the education of years. We know a good Methodist official and a good Democratic official as well, and he is a good officer, faithful and honest, who has for years made a donation out of the party funds to certain other Methodists and Democrats who are not officials, and defends the action as right and just. He argues, "you are a Democrat but because you are deficient in education you cannot hope and expect office from your party and there is nothing improper in my giving from the party funds and in your receiving therefrom an election day present—after the vote is cast—equal to the amount given to, or paid, the others. I have an office, you have none; I will divide with you on election day—after you have voted." And on Sunday those men meet in the class-room, the one as leader (and tempter), the other as follower (and deluded victim). No slur is meant against the Methodist Church in which we were born, and whose history and success and service we love. The memory of a christian father who often stood in the sacred desk, is too dear to slur at any church, but the evil under discussion demands that the truth shall be told, nor do we spare our own in the telling.

In 1870 the Republican candidate for governor wrote to his Democratic opponent proposing that they should not themselves contribute anything towards a corruption fund, and that they should discountenance and discourage the use of money by their several committees. The letter remains unanswered to this day; the Republican contributed no money; the Democrat was elected, and both gentlemen are yet living south of Dover today.

In 1882 the only money which the Republicans spent was about a thousand dollars raised by Mr. George V. Massey and his Dover friends, which was used in Kent county: and in Sussex county the Republicans urged the Democrats not to spend money uselessly, as the Republicans had none, but the Democrats insisted on making election day presents—always after voting—like our good Methodist official.

This has been the practice with the Democrats of Kent and Sussex for thirty years, and for thirty years the Democrats have had control of all legislation in this state, and yet it has not been stopped, nor an attempt made to stop it.

In 1889, after the Republicans won, Democratic leaders pretended to want the English Penal Colony Ballot Law, but the writer had a voice and a vote in its defeat, and for the same reasons that the Purity of Election Bill, falsely so-called, should be defeated. In 1891, the Legislature passed the bill, the Australian Ballot Law and Registration, cumbersome, expensive and diabolical, as the election last fall and the successor of a Democrat to a Republican governor elected by the people, proves. The writer was then denounced by the *Every Evening* as being an opponent to reform, but as we then believed and as everybody now knows, the *Every Evening* was in the wrong as usual as the measure was not a reform.

Last fall, the Standard Oil Company contributed thirty thousand dollars to the Democratic party to defeat Mr. Addicks; the owner of *Every Evening*, as the Congressional Candidate, contributed ten thousand to the fund; the present editor, a defeated candidate, contributed seven dollars and seventy-five cents, a small sum but he said it was all that he had, and others contributed more or less, until the aggregate was equal to the amount the Republicans had, and the result was Democratic defeat. In view of these facts the hypocritical howl of *Every Evening* for reform, the dictatorial insults of the *Index* for a lease of power, and even the sincere but erroneous appeals of the *Sussex Journal*, become ridiculous.

Do those papers want reform and honest elections, then repeal the unholy assessment laws of 1873 as they now apply to Kent and Sussex counties. Remove the source of the evil and the disease will disappear.

But, what means the "Purity of Elections Bill?" It is partisan legislation for partisan ends. Every man who knows any thing in this State knows that our Judges were appointed from among the politicians as a reward for political services; the juries in Kent and Sussex counties, and possibly in this county, are drawn from the Democrats of the county and are consequently more or less partisan; the officers of the court, where offenders are to be tried, are all Democrats. What would the passage of the law mean? Certain conviction of Republicans, and presumably like the trials in the District Court some two years ago in Wilmington, a disagreement in the case of Democratic offenders. Is this true? It is. It is but the natural result of a one-sided judicial system. Men get in the habit of looking at matters from a certain stand point until they are not conscious of the bias of their minds. If the highest proof is required, look at the decisions in the Supreme Court of the United States given by men whose elevation puts them above sectional and partisan views, and yet their opinions follow the inclinations of their youth and training.

Are we understood? While the disfranchising act of 1873 stands upon the statute books, to the disgrace of the State and undefended by any one, we would never vote for this bill as an additional club in the hands of the minority but ruling party to defeat the will of the people at the polls. We as earnestly desire "purity of elections" as any one and will do as much to bring it about but we do not want the L. Irving Handy, Col. E. T. Cooper and Gen. R. R. Kenney kind as advocated by the *Index* and *Every Evening*, and represented in this bill now under discussion.

RE CONSISTENT, GENTLEMEN.

Some weeks ago the *Every Evening* editorially endorsed the candidacy of Prof. W. B. Tharp, principal of the Middletown Public Schools, as the man best qualified for superintendent of the New Castle county schools. Our neighbor, the *New Era*, also devoted considerable space, local and editorial, in urging upon Governor Marvil the qualification fitness and advisability of appointing Mr. Tharp as County Superintendent. Mr. Tharp has not changed in any respect during the past month, and the silence of our esteemed co-temporaries upon this matter, since it is Governor Watson and not Governor Marvil, who must make the appointment, is really painful. It makes the former recommendations have the appearance of insincerity and even the very appearance should be avoided. Speak out, gentlemen, speak with no uncertain sound.

It is well understood that Mr. Tharp had the recommendation of most of the prominent Democrats of this hundred when his application was to Governor Marvil, and not only of this hundred but many throughout the county. And he has the recommendation of prominent educators throughout the county as well, but there is a rumor that he is to be turned down. The excuse is that of kinship to the governor, but that excuse is too flimsy to be considered even for a moment by men who have excused, apologized for and endorsed the nepotism, real and genuine nepotism, as this is not, practised in the Democratic party of late years. Be consistent, gentlemen, and stand by your recommendation of Prof. Tharp, and let New Castle county have an educator, a scholar, an enthusiastic school man as County Superintendent. The recommendation of the TRANSCRIPT is sincere and for the good of the schools. Let's be consistent, gentlemen, and insist upon Mr. Tharp's appointment.

IN KENT COUNTY.

A number of new buildings are in process of construction in Harrington.

Woodland Beach is getting ready for the summer, it has been thoroughly renovated and will be able to furnish the usual comforts of a bayside resort.

A Smyrna man put seventy-five bushels of corn in a crib last fall, and on Monday he took out fifty-two bushels of corn and sixty-three full grown rats. One rat and twenty-three bushels of the corn escaped.

The Junior Epworth League of St. Pauls M. E. church at Clayton gave a "birthday party" on Friday evening of last week. Each one present brought one cent for every year of their life and the sum of $42.50 was realized.

Dr. E. B. Goodwin, son of the late Dr. Goodwin, of Kenton, who went west several years ago and settled in Marion, Indiana, the wonderful city of natural gas, with the intention of following his profession, has in the past year or two identified himself with another and what promises to be a more lucrative business—the manufacture of pressed bricks. It is known as the De Bois Pressed brick Company, organized in Marion, but has its factory at Greentown, 18 miles west because the proper quality of clay could not be found nearer, the daily capacity of the plant being 25,000. with an intention to double this. Dr. Goodwin holds the responsible office of Secretary and Treasurer of the company.—*Smyrna Times*.

FROM OLD SUSSEX.

Alexander Warren had his leg broken by the falling of a pile of lumber in Reed's basket factory at Ellendale, on Wednesday.

MY MARYLAND.

Chestertown wants a shirt facsory.

The kindling wood mill of W. B. Miller & Co. at Salisbury, was burned to the ground on Sunday.

Mr. William D. Bratton, a brother of the late editor of the *Cecil County News*, has assumed the management of the paper.

The Kennedyville creamery paid 70 cent per 100 pounds for milk during March; Crumpton creamery, 80 cents, and Still Pond creamery 60 cents.

The new law in Cecil county prohibiting the sale of intoxicants went into effect May 1. Several Elkton saloon proprietors have moved into other counties.

Wm. Taylor, for the past two years editor of the Elkton *Appeal*, has sold the paper to Messrs. J. M. Post and E. S. Moores, of Washington, D. C. The paper will remain a Republican journal.

The May term of the Circuit Court for Queen Anne's County will be called on Monday next. The docket contains 107 trials, 5 appeals, 46 appearances and 15 judicials. The term will probably be a short one.

Rev. Father Farley, the new pastor of the Immaculate Conception church of Elkton, was stricken with apoplexy on Saturday night, and died on Tuesday. He had only been stationed at Elkton two weeks, having been transferred from Hockessin.

The trial of Marshall Price, charged with the murder of Sallie Dean, a 14 year old school girl of near Denton, on March 27, began in the Caroline County Court on Tuesday, Judges Wicks and Stumps presided at the trial, and gave their decision on Thursday as "guilty of murder in first degree."

Maryland markets are flooded with fish. Rock, perch, shad and herring are abundant, but the herring supply amounts to a veritable flood. The fish bring 5c. doz. in the Chestertown market, and a Talbot county seine hauler last week caught 10,000 at one haul but returned them to the water.

ROLLS OF HONOR.

MIDDLETOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL.

The following named pupils have attained an average of 95 per cent. for the month ending April 30, '95.

DEPARTMENT No. 1.—Hattie Barnard.

DEPARTMENT No. 2.—Carrie Clothier, Lizzie Hopkins, Addie Johnson, George Kelley, Helen Smith, Bessie Crouch, Rudolf Echenhofer.

DEPARTMENT No. 3.—Ada Davis, Minnie Smith, Bertha Geary, Bessie Craddock, Grover Talbot, Mary Holten, Harry Brady, Maggie Dodd, John McGuire, Stewart Cleaver, William Green, Elwood Reed, Edith Wilson, John Crouch, Ethel Ginn, Robert Hall, Eva Whitlock, Julian Cleaver, William Carty, Mollie McGuire.

DEPARTMENT No. 4.—Ella Burchard, Blanche Ginn, Helen Cochran, Mary Nowland, Louise McDowell, Ethel Rowe, Mattie Roberts, Annie Bordley, Oscar Whitlock, Edgar Rowe, Randolph Geary, Harold Dawson, Grover Johuson.

DEPARTMENT No. 5.—Sophie Clothier, Elsie Jones, May Webb, Lillian Solway, Lizzie Holten, Viola Downey, George Allee, Clara Whitlock.

ODESSA SCHOOL.

The following pupils have attained a general average of 95 per cent in recitation and deportment for the month of April.

ROOM No. 1. "A" Class—Joseph Brown, George Gibson, Joseph Eccles, Will Townsend, Harry Townsend, Louise Vandyke, Mattie Townsend. "B" Class—George Alrich, Jon't Aspril, Ethel Mailly, Ella Rose, Frank Baker, Jas. George, Emma Eccles, "C" Class—Clarence Aspril, Earl Davis, Lillie Maem, Edmond Stevens, Eugene Davis, Jas Maem.

ROOM No. 2. Frances Aspril, Mary Townsend, Nellie Long, Rosa Maem.

ROOM No. 3. Harry Ward, Malcolm Croft, Robert Douglas, Helen Davis, Frank Ward, Walter Keen.

PORT PENN SCHOOL.

The following names compose the Roll of Honor of Port Penn school for the month of April for attendance, deportment and recitations: Lina Bendler, Carrie Bendler, Minnie Bendler, Minnie Collins, Ethel Eaton, Florence Johnson, May Ringgold, Mary Vandegrift, Julia Vandegrift, Cora Yearsley, Blanche Yearsley, Zora Zachies, Helen Webb, Chris Bendler, Artie Dyer, Hampton Eaton, Harry Johnson, Norman Vanhekle, Frank Vanhekle, Elwood Webb, Artie Yearsley, Carpenter Yearsley, Willie Zachies, Melvin Zachies, McCoy Yearsley, and Agnes Johnson.

LEVELS PUBLIC SCHOOL.

The following named pupils have attained 95 per cent. or over for the past month: Ethel Denny, Elwood Denny, Charles Joseph, John Bennett, Price King, Anna Denny and Alec Alfree.

WOODLAND SCHOOL.

The following named pupils have reached the general average of 90 per cent or above for the month ending April 30 1895. Matilda Truitt, Irving Metten, Robert Morgan, Bayard Eliason, Thos. McIntyre Eliasor.

CURRENT EVENTS.

Fifteen thousand men in the coal mines of Virginia went on a strike this week.

Ex-Post Master General Bissell has resumed his law practice in Buffalo where he has taken up his permanent residence.

Over three thousand garment workers in Baltimore went on a strike this week, demanding an increase in the scale of wages.

The advance in the price of leather may necessitate the revival of the "bare-foot boy." Shoes will cost $1 per pair more than usual.

During a thunderstorm on Tuesday, a barn near Hazelton, Pa., was struck by lightning, and the building, four cows and two horses were destroyed.

Hugh J. Grant, ex-Mayor of New York, married Miss Julia M. Murphy, daughter of Senator Murphy, on Tuesday, Arch Bishop Corrigan performing the ceremony in Washington, D. C.

Fulton Gordon shot and killed his wife and Archibald D. Brown, son of Governor Brown, of Kentucky, on Tuesday, and the coroner's jury gave a verdict of justifyable homicide in both cases.

Juno, a large elephant of the Central Park Menagerie, is posing as a model for a bronze statute. The artist has a studio in Juno's cage, but her majesty has none of the Trilby qualities as a model.

It is announced that Mrs. Oscar Wilde has filed suit for a divorce from her renowned and accomplished husband, who has been called upon to defend himself in court upon the charge of serious misdemeanors.

Great interest is taken in Berlin in the coming exhibition of the presents received by Prince Bismark in the last twenty-five years. They include the pen with which the treaty of peace was signed between Germany and France.

Dr. Parkhurst who started the crusade for municipal reform in New York, has been engaged to lecture in Philadelphia next Monday night. This is only the third time he has lectured out side of New York, and his coming to Philadelphia is an event.

Louis Sherry, the well known New York Caterer says he received the snug little sum of $7,000 for the wedding breakfast served to a limited number of the invited guests on the occasion of the Miss Anna Gould's marriage to her "Count." There is money in catering.

Nathaniel Williams Davis.

Nathaniel W. Davis died at his father's house in Milford, on Saturday, of consumption, aged 36 years. He was a well-known lawyer and a member of the New Castle county Bar, a son of Robert H. Davis, ex-State Treasurer, and was of one of the oldest and best known families of Sussex county. He was a member of Grace M. E. Church, Wilmington, and Assistant Superintendent of the Sunday school. His funeral took place on Tuesday.

$140,000 Useless Tax.

On Thursday two meetings of interest locally and to the county, were held at Port Penn. The one was the meeting of the directors of the Augustine Marsh Company, and the other was the meeting of the commission appointed to locate a road across the Augustine Marsh with surveyors acting under the commission. No public announcement of the action taken has been made but it is understood that a dirt road will be thrown up to replace the long bridge.

Two of the interested tax payers yesterday suggested to a reporter of the TRANSCRIPT that had the Levy Court at the time of the building of the bridge, taken the advice offered them and built the dirt road now proposed, at least $140,000 would have been saved to the county. Really truth is sranger than fiction.

For Colored Orphan Boys.

Rev. Father de Ruyter, of Wilmington, who is at the head of the St. Joseph's Orphanage for colored boys in that city, will soon have an industrial school in connection with the orphanage. The "Bowers' Farm" near Clayton has been purchased for this purpose, and with suitable buildings and apparatus, and instructors, the colored boys from the orphanage are to be instructed in mechanical arts, and farming. Father de Ruyter has made the colored man a special study, and is devoting himself especially to his needs and believes if colored boys are given a chance, they will become respectful, industrious and skilful, and will make good mechanics.

Unclaimed Letters.

List of unclaimed letters remaining in the Middletown post office which can be had by saying they are advertised: W. Jenkins, L. S. Walters, Miss Georgee Archey.

BEFORE I could get relief from a most horrible blood disease, I had spent hundreds of dollars TRYING various remedies and physicians, none of which did me any good. My finger nails came off, and my hair came out, leaving me perfectly bald. I then went to

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Hoping to be cured by this celebrated treatment, but very soon became disgusted, and decided to TRY

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LEE BING'S CHINESE LAUNDRY.—On corner Church and Main Street. Fine work and fair prices. Laundry received by Thursday noon ready Saturday; by Monday noon on Wednesday.

SPRING HOUSE CLEANING, and there is nothing to save the carpets from cutting out like old newspapers. You can get them at the TRANSCRIPT office neatly done up in bundles at a cent a pound.

WANTS.—Do you want money or house or land? Do you want to sell or buy? Do you want to lease or rent? Do you want a wife or a divorce? Have you a "long-felt want?" Our Cent a Word Corner will bring the answer.

Local News.

—April departed in tears on Tuesday.

—The Blackbird Post Office and Station was burglarized on Monday.

—A burst of May sunshine is all that is needed now to put a new face on all the earth.

—The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society is arranging to send a box to Tokio, Japan.

—The Ladies' Mite Society of the M. E. Church will meet this evening at Mrs. V. L. Culbertson's.

—May parties this year, were necessarily house parties, and dancing round the May pole was indefinitely postponed.

—The oyster was banished from the bill of fare on Wednesday, and will take his customary four months' vacation.

—The stables of the Wilmington Transfer Co., were burned Tuesday night. A colored man and four horses perished.

—The "dogwood storm" was a pronounced success, continuing five days; and now the woods are white with dogwood bloom.

A small company of young folks enjoyed a pleasant evening at Mr. and Mrs. Albert Price's on Cochran Street, Thursday evening.

—The W. C. T. U. will have a meeting at Headquarters at 2 o'clock, Tuesday afternoon to be followed by the Mother's meeting at 2.45.

—The local market is well supplied with asparagus, spinach, kale, lettuce etc., and the Middletown produce merchants are keeping up with the season.

FOR SALE:—The property on the Southwest corner Broad and Green streets, the residence of the late Charles Beasten. Apply on the premises after May 25.

—The County Convention of the Christian Endeavor convened at Newark yesterday, Rev. F. H. Moore was the delegate from Forest Presbyterian Church.

—The "Y's" gave a reception last night at the Temperance Headquarters. A pleasing program was rendered, and the evening was very pleasantly spent.

—Two large bears, accompanied by their keepers, paraded the town on Monday, and Bruin's street performances were a source of amusement to the small boy.

—Summer is coming! Straw hats and sun-bonnets have made their appearance. The former, as usual, are worn upon the head, the latter, hanging down the back.

—The cold weather has backened the strawberries, and shipments of Virginia fruit will not begin much before May 10th. Delaware Strawberries will be on about the 20th.

—The Junior Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary of the P. E. Church will meet at St Andrew's Church in Wilmington next Tuesday. St. Anne's Auxiliary will send delegates.

—Cold, rainy weather and east winds are not good for young poultry, and after five days of it, the farmer's wife and her brood of cross chickens welcome the sunshine as few others can.

—Rev. Russell Conwell, of Philadelphia, has been engaged by the Christian Endeavor Society of Wilmington, to give his celebrated lecture "Acres of Diamonds," in Wilmington May 20.

—The County Teachers' Association which meets in Wilmington at two o'clock this afternoon will be addressed by Mrs. Chas. W. Howland and Mrs. J. Frank Ball on "Compulsory Education."

—Rhubarb, "the first fruit of the season," is a highly medicinal vegetable, and should be used as much as possible during this season. It is quite plentiful in the local market, and makes many a delicious dish.

—The first donation day of the Girls Industrial School, of Wilmington, was observed on Wednesday, and the managers received a large number of liberal gifts, consisting of money, groceries, and general supplies.

—Bishop A. W. Wayman, D. D., will fill the pulpit of the Trinity A. M. E. Church, Lockwood street, of this town, to-morrow at 3. 30 and 7. 45 p. m. The pastor extends "a cordial invitation to all the white friends" to hear this well-known and able preacher.

—The M. E. Sunday School will observe Children's Day on the first Sunday in June in a morning service by the Infant school, and an evening service by the Adult school. The program prepared by the church Board of Education entitled "The Golden Gate" will be used.

—The N. A. M. E. conference which closed its session at West Chester on Monday, made the following appointments for Wilmington District: Middletown, Rev. John W. Clemmons, Summit Bridge, Rev. Charles Nicholas, New Castle, Rev. Charles H. Lewis, Newark, Rev. G. W. Burrell, Delaware City, Rev. Samuel Ambrose.

—The peach blossom is undoubtedly the favorite as a floral emblem for Delaware, as shown in the vote taken among the school children. Mrs. Elizabeth Clarke Churchman of Claymont, the secretary of the State Emblem Association gives the following figures: Peach Blossom, 5, 984; Mountain Laurel, 1,244; Daisy, 1, 195; Arbutus 1,077.

—The dance given in Reynolds Hall last night by the young ladies was well attended. Price's Orchestra furnished the music. Among the out of town visitors were: Messrs. William Reybold and William Jester, of Delaware City, C. C. Cooper and Watson Harrington, of Newark, G. Davis Brown and Robert Hoffecker, of Smyrna. G. L. Townsend Jr. of Odessa.

—The "Band Boys" have their posters out announcing their Strawberry Festival and Lawn Fete, to be given on the School grounds, May 15th, and 16th. The proceeds will be used to furnish uniforms for the local Tubal-cains, and with the prospect of many delightful summer evening concerts from the same, everybody should feel called upon to patronize their effort.

—The TRANSCRIPT is pleased to announce, upon the authority of one of the best posted society ladies in Middletown, that June will witness two church weddings here. If the marriagble young men of the neighboring towns knew of the culture, refinement, beauty and characteristic worth of Middletown's many charming belles there would not be less than a dozen instead of two weddings.

—Don't forget the strawberry festival next Tuesday evening in the Opera House. The ladies who are arranging it will spare no pains to make it a very pleasant occasion. An interesting program will be rendered, consisting of recitations by several of Middletown's most popular young ladies, and vocal and instrumental music, which, with other attractions, cannot fail to please. Admission 10 cents.

—It is said that a recent society fad, not confined to the four hundred, is for the gentleman to present his fiancee with a dog instead of the conventional engagement ring, and high bred pups are much in demand. One young lady in thanking her devoted for his canine gift expressed her appreciation in the following equivocal terms: very kind" she said, "So like you"—And now the engagement man be declared off.

—Wilmingtonians are tickled with the prospect of having Buffallo Bill's Wild West show in that city after the Philadelphia engagement, which ends this week. Many people down the State will avail themselves of the opportunity of visiting this wonderful exhibition of life in the West in the early days. It is the great and only Wild West show, and Philadelphians, during the past two weeks, have flocked to see it in such numbers as must be highly gratifying to Col. Cody.

—Farmers are in good heart at the prospect of fair crops of fruit, grain and grass. Wheat and clover in this section are looking unusually well, and the recent rains have done an immense amount of good to all vegetation. On account of the low price last year the acreage in wheat is much smaller this year, consequently the tillage of corn and oats will be large. There are more oats sown this spring than for years; oat fields are already green and looking well. In spite of the cold weather, a good deal of corn has been planted, and ere another week all the farmers in this neighborhood will have finished. The country for miles around is beautiful now, and one of the TRANSCRIPT's farmer friends says everything on the farm is looking up except prices. George W. Lockwood, of below Warwick, who is an up-to-date farmer and a recognized authority on fruit culture, says the outlook was never better for good crops in all kinds of fruit. He has a young plum orchard coming in bearing this year. It is now in full bloom and is like a great snow-bank of blossom. There are but few peach trees in this section, but wherever there are young, healthy trees, there is every prospect for a good yield of fruit.

—"A Needle and Thread Order" is the latest born of Middletown's many organizations. Mrs. Wm. Taylor is President of the Order and Mrs. W. H. Moore Secretary and Treasurer. The object is to instruct young girls in the fine art of sewing and all kinds of needle work. Classes will give instruction. The meetings will be held at the Temperance Headquarters Saturday afternoons at 4 o'clock. The object is to benefit the girls and render assistance to those who need it. Patching, darning, etc., will form a part of their work, and judging from the interest some bachelors are taking in it, this department will be well patronized. Tired mothers will also find the new order a blessing, and wherever there are any known cases of need, articles of clothing will be furnished without charge. The Order is a good one, and with its present leaders and teachers cannot fail of doing much good. The first meeting will be held Saturday May 11.

PERSONALITIES

Little Lines About Men and Women and What They Are Doing.

—Miss Ada Lockwood is visiting friends in Baltimore.

—C. F. Crockett spent Wednesday in Philadelphia.

—John C. Green, of Newark, spent Sunday at his home in town.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Letherbury were in Philadelphia on Thursday.

—John J. Hoffecker spent Sunday with his father, James R. Hoffecker.

—Mr. R. T. Clark, of Philadelphia, was the guest of J. C. Parker this week.

—Mrs. Mary Janvier, of Wilmington, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Janvier.

—Miss Alice Autcault has returned from a visit of several weeks in Philadelphia.

—Miss Bessie Brice, of Sassafras, is being entertained by Miss Maggie Echenhofer.

—Miss Emma Edwards, who spent the winter in Philadelphia, returned home last week.

—Hugh C. Browne, Esq., and W. J. Barnett were in New York several days this week.

—Mrs. H. L. Clayton, is visiting at her father in-law's, Mr. Henery Clayton, on Cass street.

—Samuel Kelley, of Philadelphia, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Kelley this week.

—Mrs. Edwin R. Cochran and Miss Margaret Beasten are enjoying a season at Atlantic City.

—Mrs. Mary Vail has been quite ill for the past week, but was somewhat better last evening.

—Miss Theresa McKee, of Baltimore, is visiting Miss Bessie Morton at her home on Green street.

—C. Stanley French and son, of Philadelphia, were the guests of D. L. Dunning on Saturday.

—Francis Hoffecker, Esq., of Wilmington will spend Sunday in town, the guest of M. B. Burris, Esq.

—Miss Mary Merritt spent Sunday in Wilmington, the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. J. H. Lingo.

—Miss Annie Ellison, of near Summit Bridge, was the guest of Miss Lena Pleasanton this week.

—Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Barnard have begun housekeeping at their residence on West Main Street.

—Mrs. J. M. Naudain and children, of Baltimore, are guests of her mother, Mrs. William H. Houston.

—G. E. Hukill who for several weeks was confined to his home on account of illness, is able to be out again.

—Mr. Reynear Saulsbury, of Dover, was the guest of Mr. W. W. Black, Jr., at the National Hotel, Thursday.

—W. Scott Way, of Royland Park, is a late arrival to town, and received a warm welcome from his old friends.

—Mrs. Thos. Cochran and daughter, Miss Estelle, have returned home from a two weeks' visit in New York City.

—Mrs. H. A. Houston went to Philadelphia on Thursday, to make a protracted visit at her son's, Geo. H. Houston.

—Miss Bessie Boyer entertained a few friends Thursday evening, when Duplicate Whist was the study of an hour, followed by frozen cherries, ices and other equally pleasant recreation.

—The snug little sum of $70. has been realized by the Ladies Mite Society of the Presbyterian church from the four socials held within the past eight weeks.

—Mrs. James Collins and Miss Mabelle Taylor are visiting friends in Wilmington. They will return home this evening.

—Victor Cochran, of Philadelphia, and Warren Cochran of Washington, D.C. spent Sunday with their mother, Mrs. Ella Cochran.

—George F. Wilson and sister, Miss Mollie Wilson, attended the funeral of their cousin, Nathaniel W. Davis, at Milford on Tuesday.

—Misses Gertrude and Julia Sadler, of Delaware City, and Miss Alice Mills, of Clayton, attended the dance in Reynolds' Hall last night, and are guests of Miss Louise Reynolds.

—Mrs. Edwin Prettyman and Miss Henrietta Burton Prettyman left on Monday for an extended visit among relatives in the City of Brotherly Love.

—Dr. T. H. Gilpin, who for the past five years has been a member of the Board of Health of Middletown, has resigned his office because of the press of other duties.

—Miss Laura Beasten starts to-day for Willow Grove, Pa., a few miles north of Philadelphia, where she will spend the summer with her sister, Mrs. Thomas Rothwell.

—Mr. George V. Peverly was a guest at the wedding of Mr. John T. Wagamon, a merchant of Georgetown, and Miss Sallie W. daughter of Benj. D. Burton, Esq., of Robbins Station, on Wednesday, April 24. Rev. C. A. Grise, Ph. D., of Georgetown, tied the nuptial knot, and ex-Gov. Ponder and wife were among the guests.

—Rev. F. H. Moore has engaged passage on the ocean steamer Havel, and will sail for Europe on July 2, for a two months' Continental tour. This will be Mr. Moore's fifth visit to the other side, and as he is a close and observant student, he is acquiring a store of Old World knowledge, the result of much careful research. He will arrange to have his pulpit filled during his absence.

CHURCH NOTES.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered at the M. E. Church, tomorrow morning at the 10.30 service.

There will be preaching at Armstrong's, Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock by the pastor, Rev. F. H. Moore. Sunday school at 2 o'clock. All are cordially invited.

There will be a business meeting of Christian Endeavor at the church on Monday evening at 7o'clock. All the members are urged to come and be there promptly as there will be an election of officers to serve for the ensuing six months.

The Epworth League will have an "Evening at Epworth Rectory" next Friday evening in the lecture room of the M. E. Church when a pleasing literary and musical program will be given, followed by a social. All are invited to be present

NECROLOGY.

MRS. MCVEY.

Mrs. Rebecca McVey, wife of Samuel McVey, a well-known farmer residing on Mrs. H. A. Houston's farm near Mt. Pleasant, died on Monday. She was 71 years old on the Friday previous to her death. She had been in declining health for a year, and death resulted from a general breakdown. She was known as a devoted and faithful wife and her aged husband has the sympathy of many friends in his bereavement. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last year. Mrs. McVey was from youth a member of the M. E. Church, and lived and died a Christian.

Her funeral took place on Wednesday, Rev. T. B. Hunter assisted by Rev. I. L. Wood officiating. Interment at Forest Cemetery.

HYMEN AT WORK.

DODD—MILLER.

William Dodd, formerly of Middletown, was married on Monday to Miss Cora A. Miller, at the residence of the bride's mother, in Claremont, Va. by Rev. W. F. Shepherd. Mr. and Mrs. Dodd arrived in Middletown Tuesday afternoon, and are spending their honeymoon with Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Dodd, parents of the bridegroom. They will reside in Philadelphia. The TRANSCRIPT offers congratulations with the best of good wishes for the newly wedded pair.

The Social at the Manse.

The sociable given at the manse on Monday evening, was very much enjoyed. The Ladies of the Presbyterian Mite Society, like the good man of the feast, saved the best for the last of a series of these very pleasant occasions. The following program was well rendered.

Violin and Piano duett, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Maxwell, Recitations by Rosco McCrone, Lousie McDowell and Gertrude McCrone. Solo, by Mr. Maxwell; Solo, by Miss Vinie Lynch; Quartette—Medley—Misses Lynch and Beasten, Dr. T. H. Gilpin and J. B. Maxwell. The Flower Chorus by Misses Lynch, McWorter, Maxwell and Cochran, Messrs. Budd and Maxwell was very taking, and much appreciated.

Social converse and refreshments were by no means the least of the evening's pleasure, and the cordial hospitality of the host and hostesses, was lavishly dispensed upon all. The sum of $13 was realized to be appropriated to the parsonage improvement fund.

King's Daughters Sociable.

The young ladies of the King's Daughters held a very delightful social at the residence of Mr. George D. Kelley on Thursday evening, and a silver collection was taken to raise funds to send two delegates to the general convention in Washington, D. C., on May 10th and 11th.

Refreshments were served after the following program had delighted the big and little folks present:

Chorus, "Landing of the Pilgrims"; recitation, Miss Dora Price; reading, Miss Outcalt; chorus, "E Pluribus Unum"; banjo solo, Miss Dora Price; recitation, Miss Louise Reynolds; trio "O, Restless Sea," Misses Hattie Barnard and Mary Maxwell, and Mr. Budd; recitation, "Knee Deep in June," Miss Julia Staats; chorus, "Let the Hills and Vales Resound"; recitation, "Prior to Miss Bell's Appearance," Miss Mary Dunning.

To the Business People.

The advertising columns of the TRANSCRIPT are open to all for legitimate and honorable business at a uniform rate to all. Your patronage is solicited.

For business locals 5 cents a line will be charged in the chit chat and make-up column. It will be made attractive.

For reading locals in the "little local" column ten cents a line will be charged. A few, bright catchy business lines will be gladly admitted there at that rate. To crowd the column at a less rate is to destroy the attractiveness of the paper to very many readers.

The TRANSCRIPT is going every week into from 300 to 500 new homes, new to the TRANSCRIPT, and its value to the business public is thus increased.

"Crowding" the "Platform."

"Brother Downham is welcomed by the editor of the *New Era* with the best of feeling."—*New Era* of March 14th, second week after the "new editor" became a citizen of the town.

"We come in peace; we come to build up not to pull down; we come hoping to aid in every good work and interest in the town; we come to "rob" no man of anything as our work in done in the light of day; we come to belittle no man, no enterprise, no effort, but to give honor where honor is due in every respect, and more especially to honor those of our own State whose ability, character, position and efforts merit it. We shall be glad to share this platform with you."—TRANSCRIPT of March 16th.

"Thanks, it does our heart good, is welcome news to our ears to hear such expressions from our fellow-editor, and we trust the "platform" will prove broad enough to hold us both without crowding."—*New Era*, March 21st.

"The Macedonian cry "Elect a Senator" from brother Downham, of the TRANSCRIPT has brought an answer, but not in a tone calculated to smooth the ruffled feelings of hat Higgins editor. "Sussex" in last night's *Every Evening* goes up one side of the good, genial editor of the TRANSCRIPT and down the other, and tells facts that doubtless were hoped had been forgotten."—*New Era* of May 2d.

The proprietor of the *New Era*, search is made in vain for the editor, has begun to "crowd" the "platform," and he is throwing stones while he prates of "brother." He is not bold enough to throw stones of himself but like the cowardly little ragamuffin around the corner he throws his stones and dodges behind another. Let the citizens of Middletown witness the act.

"Tells facts that doubtless were hoped had been forgotten." What are the "facts" and who or what "hoped had been forgotten?" Answer the question and the miserable English of the *New Era* will be pardoned, and the cowardly stab in the back and over another's shoulder will be forgiven and forgotten by the "good and genial editor of the TRANSCRIPT."

IT WOULD BE NICE.

What? A Dramatic Association of the local talent. The success of the little temperance play, "The Turn of the Tide," at the Opera House on Friday evening of last week, has emphasized this feeling, and all around the inquiry comes, why not?

The prejudice against the stage is not what it was twenty, thirty years ago, when the introduction of the organ into the Church in many communities sent the faithful but cranky amen-corner members home from the house of worship in anything but a prayerful mood. That prejudice is departing until to-day the fiddle, that instrument of his Satanic majesty in the estimation of the grand and good but mistaken fathers and mothers of Israel, has a prominent place in the services of many churches.

The same prejudice has existed against the stage, and with more reason, against the men and women who come before the footlights, but with all such, the amateur players having nothing to do, and home entertainments are not only pleasant and entertaining but they are an excellant school to the faithful participants. It is not all fun and play. It is earnest and hard work, and only those who are willing to devote time and study to the work should consent to take a part in such a matter. That there is talent enough in Middletown to organize such an association and to carry it to a successful issue, goes without the saying it. It is here—dramatical talent, literary talent, musical talent, vocal and instrumental, and is literally "wasting its sweetness upon the desert air." It only needs organization, a union of efforts to develop the latent powers and to produce what? Possibly a Charlotte Cushman, a Joe Jefferson, or a Booth. Who can tell, and wouldn't it be nice?

SOLID AND SUBSTANTIAL.

One can have no greater enemy than a violent temper.

Inside prices at MESSICK'S.

Man is of too noble and too high a birth to be a slave to his body.

You be one of the sensible sort and get your spring suit at MESSICK'S.

The most manifest sign of wisdom is continued cheerfulness.

What doth it profit a man if he sells a poor shoe and forever loseth his customer?

J. B. MESSICK.

There is nothing so powerful as truth—and often nothing so strange.

The Echenhofer Bros. are up with the season with early vegetables, and their meats are always prime. Give them a call.

The right to command is the fruit of labors, the price of courage.

Keep your eye on Mrs. Adams window to-day, if you want to see some pretty hats

Ah! to what gulf a single deviation from the track of human duties leads.

Don't run the risk of using bad language by buying shoes elsewhere.

J. B. MESSICK.

If you know how to spend less than you get you have the philosopher's stone.

—TRACK MEN NOTICE.—We have the genuine Darr, two minute harness, at Manufacturer's prices.

J. C. PARKER.

She—Is kissing proper? He—Let's put our heads together and consider.

Wealth and want equally harden the heart, as frost and fire are both alike alien to the human flesh.

The shirt waist is as popular as ever and Mrs. Adams has a beautiful assortment of them from 36 cents up, on the plaza.

Prosperity is a great teacher; adversity a greater. Possession pampers the mind; privation trains and strengthens it.

For stylish head gear, go to Misses Echenhofer. They have a full new stock of millinery goods this week in honor of merry May, and their creations are matchless in beauty. See their wendow.

It frequently happens that the fire of genius has difficulty in making the pot boil.

The prettiest summer dresses to be worn by the prettiest summer girls will be trimmed with lace, and Mrs. Barnett's is the place to get it. She has all kinds, widths and prices; also silk gimps at 4 cts.

If "my lady" has not purchased her new spring bonnet, a visit to Miss S. A. Howell's will be well worth while. Her hats and bonnets are always pretty and her trimming is as stylish as you will find.

Every housewife should persuade her husband to visit the tonsorial parlors of W. W. Freeman, late of Wilmington, opened on North Broad street.

—After long years of experience in the Millinery business we feel that we understand prettythoroughly the wants of our customers in that line, and have laid in the most complete stock of everything pertaining to the business. We cordially invite our patrons and the public to call and examine our selections before buying elsewhere. MRS. A. M. MCKEE.

The Scott Brothers.

The firm of Elliott, Johnson and Co. brokers of Wilmington, has been dissolved, and a new firm has been formed by Henry P. and Harlan Scott, and will be known as Scott & Co. They will continue business at the old place. The Scott brothers are sons of Rev. Alfred T. Scott, formerly of Middletown.

ODESSA NOTES.

Mrs. H. L. Clayton has returned from Atlantic City.

Mr. Joseph G. Brown, and son, Joseph spent Monday in Philadelphia.

W. R Permar of Snow Hill, Md., spent Wednesday with friends in Odessa.

Miss Neal Townsend has returned from an extended visit with friends in Wilmington.

J. Chester Gibson was in town on Sunday, the guest of Mr. and Mrs: J. L. Gibson.

Miss Fannie Griffenberg is confined to to her home by a serious attack of typhoid fever.

Miss Mary J. Doughten whose illness was mentioned recently has almost completely recovered.

The regular meeting of the Ladies Mite Society was held at the home of Mrs. Jos. Brown on Wednesday evening.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Odessa Loan Association on Monday evening, Thirty Two Hundred Dollars were sold at par and the routine business was transacted.

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education of the Odessa Public Schools was held on Wednesday evening in the school room. Various matters of interest were discussed and it was decided to hold the commencement exercises on Tuesday evening June 18, in the Opera House. The graduating class will be addressed by Congressman Jonathan S. Willis.

TOWNSEND TOPICS.

Captain Wiggins has put in a new drive well at his creamery.

The band has purchased torch lights and is practising marching.

Miss Maud Smith, of Middletown, was the guest of Miss Nina Scott for several days this week.

The dwelling of J. A. Hart is undergoing a thorough repainting, and it presents quite an attractive appearance.

Mr. John Atwell and wife attended the funeral of his aunt, Mrs. Rebecca McVey, of Mt. Pleasant, on Wednesday.

Mrs. Chandler and her little folks returned home on Tuesday evening from a visit to her mother, at Crumpton.

J. T. Ellis & Co., who bought the Riley farm are making extensive repairs to the buildings, and have bought several car loads of fertilizer from Philadelphia, which they are putting on the land.

House cleaning came to a sudden stop the latter part of last week. Doubtless some of the housewives found themselves repeating those suggestive lines from Longfellow "It rains, and the wind is never weary"

PORT PENN.

Herbert Boyd spent Sunday at Linden Hall.

Miss S. B. Cleaver will remain in Philadelphia for some time yet.

Mrs. Lavina Smith has been visiting at Roselands for a week or so.

This is what might be termed a spell of weather, steady rain for five days. Probably it is the "blossom storm."

Mrs. Jane McLain who died on the 26th, was buried Monday afternoon from the Presbyterian Church. The weather was such that only a few beside the family and intimate friends were present. The rain fell in torrents all the time. Rev. O. A. Gillingham preached from the text "Be ye therefore ready also," as it was her wish that his remarks should be addressed to the living. The choir sang "It is well with my soul" and "Asleep in Jesus." The pall bearers were: Messrs. William Gibson, J. P. Vandegrift, Boyd R. Cleaver, Walter Bendler, R. Carpenter, and O. Webb. Interment took place at Hickory Grove Cemetery. Mrs. McLain was 90 years old this spring, and it is a remarkable fact, that all who knew her well seemed to love her, and although so old there was such a number who seemed to feel her loss very deeply, outside of her family. She was an eminent Christian, and has long been a useful and consistent member of the Presbyterian Church. Although unable to attend for many years she never heard the church bells ring without uttering a prayer for a blessing upon the services.

DELAWARE CITY.

Bishop Coleman will visit Christ church parish on the 9th.

Benjamin F. Dunlap, of Philadelphia, was in town on Saturday.

Mrs. Mulenbruk, of St. Paul, Minn., is the guest of Miss Emma Clark.

Mrs. J. A. Vreeland, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with her mother.

Rev. George S. Gassner spent a few days with friends in Wilmington this week.

Rev. Luther S. Oates, who is convalescent has gone to Atlantic City to recuperate.

F. Downs and brother Benjamin were the guests of their uncle, F. D. Dunlap, on Sunday.

Mrs. Samuel Reeves, of Elmira, N. J. is visiting her mother-in-law, Mrs. Clement Reeves.

William Dougherty, a former resident of our town, died at his home in Wilmington last week.

The Missess Clark, of Greenlea, have returned from a trip to Atlantic City and New York.

Dr. Seltzer and George Uhler, of Philadelphia, were among the number of enthusiastic anglers in town last week.

There is an unusually large trade in the canal. On Saturday evening some of the boats were obliged to tie up until others were locked through.

Fishing in the locks has been suspended owing to the large quantities of fish for which they cannot find a sale. J. Laboub caught on Tuesday over 200 shad.

Patrick Gunning, a former resident of Delaware City and Fort Delaware, died at his home in Cheltenham last week and was buried here on Tuesday in the Catholic church yard.

Delaware State Hospital.

The annual meeting of State Hospital at Farnhurst was held on Thursday.

The official term of Dr. Hiram R. Burton of Lewes, Dr. J. H. Wilson of Dover, and Dr. T. H. Gilpin of Middletown, expired on April 25th and it was expected by the members of the board of trustees that they would be reappointed. But thus far it is not known what will be Governor Watson's course, as the appointments have not yet been made.

Contracts for supplies were awarded:

Drugs—N. B. Danforth, Wilmington.

Dry goods—John A. Reynolds, Middletown.

Mutton and veal—J. A. Hopkins & Son, Wilmington; mutton, hind quarters, 6¢ cents; whole sheep, 8 cents; whole calf, 9¢ cents.

Clothing—John A. Reynolds, Middletown.

Bread—H. C. Roller, Wilmington, 2½ cents a pound.

Shoes and slippers—John A. Reynolds, Middletown.

Groceries—Charles L. Simmons, Wilmington.

Beef—Frederick Kienle, Wilmington, 5½ cents a pound for fore and hind quarters.

Crockery—William Lawton, Wilmington.

Superintendent Hancker reported the population of the hospital as follows:

Admitted during April, 5 males and 3 females --8; died, 1 female; present number, 116 white males, 86 white females, 25 colored males, 17 colored females, total, 244.

Bills were ordered paid amounting to $5,880.67, and a cash balance of $4,853.69 was reported.

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CHESAPEAKE CITY.

Miss Alice M. Boulden is visiting relatives near Earlville.

Prof. Milton S. Harper spent Saturday last in Philadelphia.

Miss Mary E. Boulden has returned from a visit to Delaware City.

The town election for commissioners, bailiff etc., will be held on Monday.

Miss Anna Hanson, of Baltimore, is being entertained by Miss Elsie E. Karsner.

A large number of fine carp have been caught in the creek during the past week.

Miss Florence Reed returned home on Monday after a few days' visit in Philadelphia.

Miss Della Hurt, of Sassafras, has been spending some time with Mrs. James Jefferson.

Mrs. J. Fletcher Price spent this week with her sister, Mrs. Charles S. Ellison near town,

Tuesday being the last day of April the new Prohibition law went into effect on Wednesday.

William Schultz and daughter, Miss Annie, were guests at Harry Bouchelle's on Friday last.

There is rumor of a wedding to take place in the Presbyterian church during the first week of June.

A sociable given by the ladies of the Presbyterian church was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Hopper on Friday evening.

Mrs. A. E. R Bennett and brother, Edward Biddle, of Earville, have returned from a visit to their brother George Biddle, of Cnicago.

George K. Houck has purchased the merchandise in the store until recently carried on by John Banks, and will conduct the business at the old stand, just below the locks.

Rev. T. B. Hunter will preach and administer the Holy Communion in the M. E. Church on Sunday morning next. Rev. H. A. G. Westerfield will fill Mr. Hunter's pulpit in the Bethel M. E. Church.

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The sample copies, from 200 to 500 every week can be taken, read and enjoyed freely. No name is put on the subscription list until so ordered.

MIDDLETOWN MARKETS.

PRODUCE.

Country Butter, lb	15@20c
Creamery Butter, lb	25c
Eggs, doz	11@12c
White Potatoes, basket	45@50c
Lard, lb	9@10c

GRAIN.

Wheat, No. 1, bus	68c
Wheat, No. 2, bus	66c
Timothy Seed, bus	3 30
Clover Seed, bus	6 00
Corn, yellow, bus	50c
Corn, cob, bus	50c
Oats, bus	46c

Spring Medicine

Is a necessity because the tonic of winter air is gone, and milder weather, increased moisture, accumulated impurities in the blood and debilitated condition of the body, open the way for that tired feeling, nervous troubles, and other ills. The skin, mucous membrane and the various organs strive in vain to relieve the impure current of life. They all welcome

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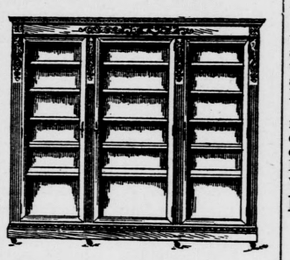

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SATURDAY, MAY 4th, 1895.

Agricultural.

Of Interest .....To Farmers

THE POULTRY YARD.

The great secret of success with poultry is loving them so that it is a pleasure to care for them.

The cheapest cholera medicine is to build portable houses, so that they may be frequently moved to clean places,

When shipping dressed fowls be sure that all the animal heat is driven from the carcasses before they are packed.

Poultry that is to be used on the table, if confined and fed on corn and clean water a few days it will be found that the flesh becomes sweet, juicy and tender.

To procure eggs avoid overfeeding and feed plenty of ground bones, scalded bran, oat and barley meal and milk mornings and a change of whole grain at night.

Chopped onions are the best green food that can be fed to fowls, both old and young. Onions are not only invigorating, but excellent when the fowls are subject to colds.

For roup dissolve a teaspoonful of chloride of lime in a pint of water and give the bird a teaspoonful of the solution. Burn tar and turpentine in the hen house after the poultry has gone to roost at night.

Geese are more distinctively grazers than any other kind of poultry, and will keep the grass as close as will sheep. Besides the value of their flesh as food, the feathers are an item of considerable profit, and should pay all keeping expenses.

A beginner in poultry raising should start with a few fowls, and gradually enlarge as he learns the requirements of the business. If one begins with a large number he is liable to bring lice, roup, cholera and other undesirable things into his yards.

Even when hens are kept in large numbers, a cost of about $1 each per annum must be counted upon, besides cost for labor. To obtain any profit a large average production must be kept up. It will pay best to try for both eggs and young broilers.

Make hens lay when eggs are highest, and breed stock when they are lowest. The pullets should be worth $2 each as prospective winter layers. Kill all the hens over three years of age. Breed as many chicks as possible, for they all represent so much money.

A few hens in a single enclosure will pay a profit invariably, if properly cared for, but a lot of neglected, crowded fowls will seldom return the food they consume. It does not follow that you can get $200 net profit from 100 hens just because 10 brought you $20.

It is especially true of the poultry yard that whatever is worth doing at all is worth doing well. An intimate every day and every hour acquaintance with the flock is what leads up to the profits. Do not become disgusted with their appearance at moulting time, but give them all the more care.

Geese may be grown profitably where they have a good range, and where there is a good supply of waste vegetable products. They are pretty large eaters, but get most of their subsistence, if permitted, from comparatively worthless articles. They need a little grain to give variety.

There is a sad lack of profit, as a general thing, in handling chickens, just because there is a sorry lack of management somewhere. The essentials are the countless little things which no one can teach another, and these have more to do with the general rules. The blood, the care, the warm shelter, the proper food are all on the list, but only the practical man learns those that are not written.

You sell your scrub chickens at your grocer's for $2 a dozen; your neighbor takes in his Plymouth Rocks of the same age, and gets twice the price and that twice as readily. Are you still going to continue raising scrubs? What stronger hint to prosperity can you demand? Do not even follow your old plan of exchanging roosters with a neighbor, or trading settings of eggs, but adopt some good breed out and out, and then you will love your work.

The refuse screenings from the wheat bin or the corn crib will not do to depend upon; might as well expect a cow to do well and make good butter when fed on mouldy hay. The chickens should have a good meal now and then of ground wheat, barley meal or other variety that we know will supply sustenance and materials they need for doing good work.

The Alabama experiment station has been making some tests of egg-producers and general-purpose fowls. Here are the results: The Plymouth Rocks have led, followed closely by Brown Leghorns, Hamburgs, Houdan-Minorcas and Langshans. Previous to this year the Leghorns have made the best production for three successive years. The Plymouth Rocks, however, had the advantage of the run of the place. It is impossible to maintain purity of breeds without close confinement, and yet such confinement is very prejudicial to health and egg production. The European breeds are all great spring and summer layers and small and non-sitters. It is pretty well established that the Leghorns are the best egg-producers of all the breeds. The Asiatics are generally good winter and early spring layers and make excellent mothers and are good table fowls. The Langshans stand at the head of the list and are regarded as one of the best general-purpose fowls. The Plymouth Rocks are also good winter and spring layers and make excellent mothers; they are hardy, of quick growth and good table fowls. Of the breeds mentioned the Langshan and Plymouth Rocks are considered the best general-purpose fowls, the Leghorns or Hamburgs the best egg-producers.

Market gardners and dairymen are particularly well suited for the handling of poultry with profit, The former have much spare time in winter; the latter go among the best customers in the town every day. Keep strict account of receipts and expenditures. The droppings, at 75 cents a barrel, will go a long way toward paying for the feed.—From the *Western Plowman.*

The farmer who intelligently masters the art of making the pigs ready for market at six months old, and persistently follows the business, will most certainly prosper. They cannot be pushed too fast. Five feeds a day for the first month after weaning is not too often. See that they have exercise.

The best pigs are the offsprings of mature mothers and vigorous young sires. The world can show no better breed than the Poland China, but for pork purposes a cross with an Essex or a Berkshire boar gives a pig which matures very early; but do not lose your breed by raising stock from this offspring.

Pigs confined to a lot, fed wisely on a varied diet, are in almost no danger from cholera. It is safe and cheaper to make pork in this way, and the quality of the product is superior to that of the hog fed on an exclusive corn diet. The meat is marbled with lean, instead of being wholly fat blubber.

The cheapest meat is always made from young animals. The man who feeds a pig nine months to attain a weight possible in six loses the labor of the extra three months, and the excess of feed. The risk of loss is greatly reduced by the shortened time, and by the fact that gaining animals are liable to disease.

In these times of depression our greatest gain is in preventing waste. Those who have given cut fodder a trial unite in testifying to its value as a convenient and economical food, not only for cattle, but for horses as well. It is now so thoroughly shredded by machines that 95 per cent. of it is eaten, whereas formerly by far the greater part went to waste.

IN THIS CONNECTION.

At a recent institute the writer, in discussing the best list of home grown foods for cows, was pleased to hear the remarks of a man who reported a trial of sowing mixed grain for cow feed, oats and spring wheat, 6 pecks of the latter to 12 of oats, and the result had been that he had secured practically two full crops at the one time, or about 65 or 70 bushels of oats and wheat, 29 bushels of the latter to the acre, and a great abundance of straw, that was fairly well eaten by the stock in addition. The double growing of wheat and rye together for stock food has been heard of before, but oats and spring wheat are new to the writer. If this man's reported success is a fact, and there seems no reason to doubt it, a large feed of mixed grain pretty fairly well balanced can be secured at little additional cost and labor, and a very cheap feed gown.—*Practical Farmer.*

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Our Woman's .....Column

WHAT the young housekeeper,—the little bride just starting out for herself, should learn, is to establish a system of saving and of setting down every cent she spends. The one fits into the other most admirably, the latter being a rare incentive toward the former. You see, when the money goes helter skelter and you find the family purse depleted, you are bound to declare that you have either lost some or a goodly amount has been picked from your pocket. This is seldom the case, as you will discover directly you get into the habit of jotting down the outgoes, even from the immaterial purchase of a glass of soda.

It is the five-cent items that run off with the money. Of course you can remember about the five dollar bill that you spent, but when the little no-account dimes and nickels are allowed to go by the board the first thing you know there is a great hole in the income and you wonder how in the world it ever came about.

Old housekeepers as well as young ones can profit by this advice. Another idea that has produced a goodly bank account for a certain wise young housekeeper is to determine on saving something each week if it is only a dollar. This can be done if determination is only brought to bear upon it. Never spend more than a fourth of your income for house rent if you would show wisdom and pave the way toward future prosperity. The time to save is when you are young. Like all other habits it cannot be broken or acquired in old age, and when once you begin the snow balls roll up so swiftly that you realize fully that a penny saved is equal to two earned.

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As "housecleaning time" approaches, the careful housewife looks critically at her floor coverings. The one in the dining-room, she thinks, can be made to last another season by putting the best parts around the edge, and covering the centre with a drugget. Or, for a variety, a border of matting may be laid, and the best of the carpet made into a square for the middle of the room.

That ingrain in the sitting-room looks pretty well now, but a vigorous shaking will turn the thin places into holes, and leave very little worth using. Enough for a hall, or small bedroom, may perhaps be saved from the wreck, and pieces too small for any other use will do for mats, or to cover hassocks.

But try as one will to utilize the old, the day is sure to come when new must be bought, and then good judgment comes in play. A dark red carpet gives a warm, rich tone to a room, but will show every speck of dust, and need constant sweeping. Very light carpets look glaring, except in dark rooms. Large figures are only suitable in apartments of extraordinary size, and are anything but economical in cutting over. Small figures, neither very dark nor very light, are best for "all round" purposes.

A bordered carpet should never be used on a room that is narrow in proportion to its width—it gives it too much the effect of a hall—but it improves a square room.

Remember that the carpet is only a back ground to the furniture, and avoid all high colors or obtrusive designs.

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A newspaper is one of the best things in the world to keep the stove looking bright. Blacken it well once a week, and then rub after each meal with some newspapers. Instead of washing the teakettle with a dab of a none too clean dishrag, bunch up a page of an old paper and rub the coffee pot and teakettle with it while they are warm, and they will shine like new. Newspapers are an important item in household economics, and now that housecleaning time is here, you will want an extra lot for the cupboard and pantry shelves etc. You can get all you want of them at the TRANSCRIPT office for one cent per pound.

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Women who wear themselves into a frazzle keeping their houses clean enough to "eat off the floor," should remember that the only right way to live is to keep house in order to live comfortably, and not to live in order to keep house.

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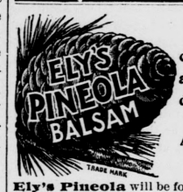

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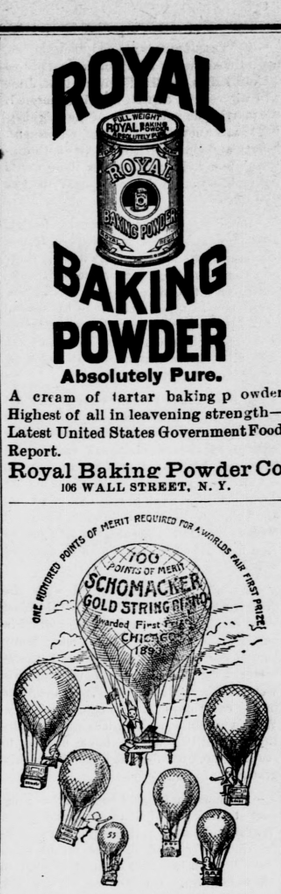

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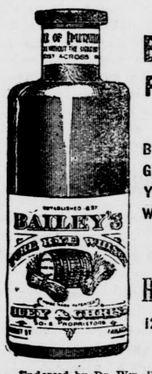

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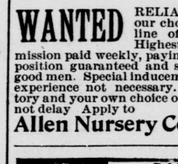

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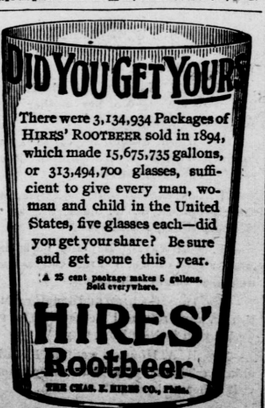

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On and after Nov. 18, 1894, (Sunday excepted,) trains will leave as follows:

SOUTHWARD.

	P. M. ‖11 16	PAS. A. M.	EXP. A. M.	PAS. P. M.	MAIL P. M.	MA'L P M
Philadelphia		‖7 25	‖10 20	‖2 02	‖8 46	‖5 56
Baltimore	7.43	6 25	8 50	12 05	3.00	5.27
Wilmington	12 01	8 13	11.03	2.50	4.27	6.53
Farnhurst		f 8.22		f 2 58		
New Castle		8 27		3 03		7 05
State Road		‖8 33		f 3.08		‖7.10
Bear		‖8 38		f 3 13		‖7.15
Porter		8 46			f 4 48	7.21
Kirkwood		8 52	h11 33	f 3.21		‖7.26
Mt. Pleasant		9.03		f 3.30		‖7 34
Armstrong		f 9 06				7 38
Middletown	12.44	9 13	11 49	3.39	5 11	7.43
Townsend		9 22		f 3 47	5.19	7 52
Blackbird		f 9 27		f 3 5.		‖7.57
Gr'n Spring		f 9 33		f 3 57		
Clayton	1 02	9 40	12 06	4 00	5 32	8 08
Smyrna .LV		9 30	11.56	3.50	5 22	7.58
Brenford		f9 45		f 4 07		8 13
Cheswold		f9 51		f 4 12		‖8.19
Dupont				f 4 15		
Dover	1 20	10 04	12 22	4 21	5 50	8 28
Wyoming	a 1.27	10.11	f12 28	4 27	5.56	8 34
Woodside		f10 18		f 4 33		
Viola		f10 22		f 4 37		
Felton	a 1.40	10 27	f12 39	4 41	6 08	
Harrington	1.59	10 41	12 53	4.53	6.20	
Farmington		f.0 47	h 1 00		f 6.28	
Greenwood		f10.56	h 1.07		f 6 36	
Bridgeville	a 2 14	11.03	f 1.15		6.45	
Cannons		f11 08			f 6 50	
Seaford	a 2.26	11 18	1 26		6.58	
Laurel	a 2.38	11 29	f 1 36		7 09	
Delmar	2.50	11.39	1 46		7.:0	

NORTHWARD.

	EXP. A. M.	MAIL A. M.	EXP. A. M.	MAIL A. M	EXP. P. M.	PAS P. M.
Delmar	11.08			‖8 05	‖2 26	‖3.04
Laurel	f 1 21			8 15	p 2 36	4.03
Seaford	p 1.34			8 29	p 2 46	4.05
Cannons				f 8 37		f 4.12
Bridgeville	p 1 48			8 43	f 2	4.18
Greenwood				f 8.5		f 4 26
Farmington				f 8 59		f 4 34
Harrington	p 2 22		‖8.05	9 13	3.21	4 44
Felton	p 2.52		8.14	9 22	f 3.30	4.53
Viola			‖8.18	8 27		f 4.58
Woodside			‖8 22	f 9 31		f 5 02
Wyoming		‖7 05	‖8 29	9 38	f 3 41	5 09
Dover	2.50	7 11	8 35	9 45	3 47	5 16
Dupont		f7 14				
Cheswold		f7 20		f 9 51		f 5 25
Frenford		f7 24		f.0 02		f 5 30
Smyrna .LV		7.19	8 42	9 57	3 50	5 28
Clayton	3.06	7 29	8 52	10 06	4 02	5 36
Gr'n spring		f7.35				f 5 40
Blackbird		f7 39		f10 15		f 5 46
Townsend		7 44		0 20	4.15	5 51
Middletown	p 3.29	7.53	f9 15	10.29	4 24	6 02
Armstrong		f7.57				f 6 06
Mt Pleasant		8.01		f10 37		6 10
Kirkwood		8 09		10 46		6.21
Porter		8.15		10 51	4.41	6 27
Bear		‖8.20	9 06	f10 56		6 31
State Road		‖8 25	9.15	f11 00		6 35
New Castle		8.31	9 45	11 07		6.40
Farnhurst		‖8.36	19 5	f11 12		
Wilmington	4 15	8 48	9 58	11 20	5 05	6 53
Baltimore	6 22	10 37	11 15	12 35	6 55	8 49
Philadelphia	5.10	9 32	10 46	12 46	5 5	7 51

‖ Daily. § Daily except Sunday.

"a" Stops to leave passengers from Wilmington and points north, or take passengers for points south of Delmar.

"f" Stops only on notice to conductor or agent, or on signal.

"h" Stops to leave passengers from Wilmington or points north.

"l" Stops to leave passengers from Middle town and points south.

"p" Stops to leave passengers from points south of Delmar, or take passengers for Wilmington and points north.

"t" Stops to let off passengers from points south of Harrington.

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Express trains leaving Harrington 8.05 a. m., and arriving at 6 20 p. m., week-days, run through solid to and from Baltimore, via Porter and Newark.

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DELAWARE, MARYLAND & VIRGINIA R. R.—Leave Harrington for Franklin City and way stations 10.46 a m., week days. 6 25 p m., Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Returning, train leaves Franklin City 5.52 a. m., week-days 10 35 a m.

Leave Franklin City for Chincoteague (via steamer) 2.01 p. m., week-days Returning, leave Chincoteague 4.42 a. m., week-days.

Leave Harrington for Georgetown and Lewes at 10.46 a. m., 6.25 p. m. Returning, leave Lewes 7.35 a. m., 12.19 p. m., week-days.

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QUEEN ANNE & KENT R. R.—Leave Townsend for Centreville and way stations 9.25 a. m., and 5.25 p. m., week days. Returning, leave Centreville 6.50 a. m., and 1.30 p. m., week-days.

DELAWARE & CHESAPEAKE R. R.—Leave Clayton for Oxford and way stations 9.45 a. m., and 5.40 p. m., week days. Returning, leave Oxford 6.50 a. m., and 1.55 p. m., week-days.

CAMBRIDGE & SEAFORD R. R.—Leave Seaford for Cambridge and intermediate stations 11.23 a. m., week days, and on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays 7.00 p. m. Returning, leave Cambridge 6.20 a. m. and on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays 2.40 p. m.

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